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For: A METHOD AND DEVICE FOR THE SELECTIVE WITHDRAWAL OF
COMPONENTS FROM COMPLEX MIXTURES

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT TO LESSEN FEES

Assistant Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to initial examination, please amend the Annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report for the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Claim 3, line 1, change "claims 1 and/or 2" to --claim 1--.

Claim 4, line 1, change "at least one of claims 1 to 3"
to --claim 1--.

Claim 5, line 1, change "at least one of claims 2 to 4"
to --claim 2--.

Claim 6, line 1, change "at least one of claims 1 to 5"
to --claim 1--.

Claim 7, line 1, change "at least one of claims 1 to 6"
to --claim 1--.

Claim 9, line 1, change "at least one of claims 6 to 8"
to --claim 6--.

Claim 10, line 1, change "at least one of claims 1 to 9"
to --claim 1--.

Claim 11, line 1, change "at least one of claims 1 to 10"
to --claim 1--.

Claim 12, line 1, change "at least one of claims 2 to 11"
to --claim 2--.

Claim 14, line 1, change "at least one of claims 1 to 13"
to --claim 1--.